

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Page 13, before claim 1 at line 1, replace the single word heading CLAIMS with the following heading:

~~CLAIMS~~ WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. (Currently Amended) Ballistic protective armour ~~(12)~~, ~~in particular~~ as a component of ballistic protective clothing or head coverings, comprising a textile laminate ~~(14)~~ made from a number of textile layers ~~(16....34)~~ laminated together, ~~characterised by and~~ a number of ~~wire or thread~~ binders ~~(40,52)~~ which pass through the textile laminate ~~(14)~~ in ~~the~~ a layering direction ~~(z)~~ of the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~, the binders made of one of wire and thread.
2. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the binders ~~(40,52)~~ are provided with anchoring devices to anchor them in the textile laminate ~~(14)~~.
3. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the binders ~~(40,52)~~ are elastic.

4. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, wherein the ~~one of claims 1 to 3, characterised in that~~ binders ~~(40,52)~~ are made from one of:

metal, and ~~or~~

a synthetic material.

5. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, wherein the ~~one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ binders ~~(52)~~ are contrived as reinforcing threads ~~(54)~~ which are each formed from at least one fiber ~~a single fibre or from a number of fibres.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 5, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the reinforcing threads ~~(54)~~ are made from a yarn that is one of spun ~~or~~ and drilled from a number of fibers ~~fibres.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of ~~claims~~ claim 5 or 6, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the reinforcing threads ~~(54)~~ are made from a material selected from the group consisting of aramid, polyethylene ~~or~~ and carbon fiber ~~fibre.~~

8. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 5, wherein the ~~one of claims 5 to 7, characterised in that~~

reinforcing threads ~~(54)~~ are connected with each other to form endless threads which pass through the textile laminate ~~(14)~~ in a meandering fashion.

9. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 8, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein, running on opposite surfaces of the textile laminate, ~~(14)~~ there are endless threads, of which each endless thread comprises a number of loops projecting into the textile laminate ~~(14)~~, which are interlooped with the loops of an endless thread running along ~~the~~ an opposite surface of the textile laminate ~~(14)~~.

10. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, ~~wherein one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~ are connected by pressing with a connection matrix which is disposed layer by layer between the individual textile layers ~~(16....34)~~.

11. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 10, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the connection matrix is formed from a material selected from the group consisting of an adhesive, a resin ~~or~~ and a pressable film.

12. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 10 ~~or 11~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the textile layers

~~(16....34)~~ are at least partially embedded in the connection matrix.

13. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, ~~wherein one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~ are made from a synthetic material.

14. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 13, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~ are made from a material selected from the group consisting of aramid, polyethylene ~~or~~ and carbon fiber ~~fibre~~.

15. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, ~~wherein one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~ are made from fabric made of one of ~~fibres or fibers~~ and yarns.

16. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 1, ~~wherein one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~ are of differing hardnesses.

17. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 16, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the differing hardnesses are obtained by one of:

using different types of fabrics, and ~~or~~

by varying the amount of resin or adhesive on the textile layers ~~(16....34)~~.

18. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective armour of claim 16 ~~or 17, characterised in that~~ wherein the textile laminate ~~(14)~~, viewed from outside to inside in relation to ~~the~~ an anticipated direction of ~~the~~ a missile ~~(-Z)~~, comprises a sequence of layers of hard outer textile layers ~~(30,32,34)~~, soft textile layers ~~(24,26,28)~~ of lesser hardness than the hard textile layers ~~(30,32,34)~~, and medium-hard inner textile layers ~~(16,18,20,22)~~ whose hardness lies between that of the hard textile layers ~~(30,32,34)~~ and that of the soft textile layers ~~(24,26,28)~~.

19. (Currently Amended) A ballistic protective helmet according to claim 1, comprising a ~~whose~~ helmet shell ~~(10,50,70)~~ ~~is~~ formed by the ballistic protective armour ~~(12)~~ according to claim 1 ~~one of the preceding claims.~~

20. (Currently Amended) A ballistic protective vest according to claim 1, comprising one of hard segments ~~or~~ and hard inserts, each formed by the ballistic protective armour ~~(12)~~ according to claim 1 ~~one of the preceding claims 1 to 15.~~

21. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective vest of claim 20, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the one of hard segments ~~or~~ and hard inserts are disposed in overlapping fashion.

22. (Currently Amended) The ballistic protective vest of claim 21, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the one of hard segments ~~or~~ and hard inserts are disposed one of on ~~or~~ and in the protective vest such that they can be displaced relative to each other.